

**Meeting Date:** January 17, 2008

**Agenda Item No. 6D**

**Agenda Item:** Winter Feeding Advisory Committee  
Appointments

**Approved by:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Background:**

Regional Winter Feeding Advisory Committees assist the Department with implementation of the Commission's Emergency Big Game Feeding Policy. The Committees act as an independent resource in each region to give advice and recommendations on the administration of winter feeding programs and serve as a liaison between the Commission, Department, and interested groups.

**Statutory Authority and/or Policy Issues:**

Idaho Code 36-123 establishes Winter Feeding Advisory Committees (WFAC) in each IDFG region where winter feeding of pronghorn, elk, or deer normally occurs. Committees consist of 5 members of the public and are appointed by the Commission to serve 2 year terms.

**Public Involvement Process:**

By statute, regional wildlife councils submit candidates. Regional wildlife councils are currently inactive. In the absence of regional wildlife councils, Regional Supervisors submit names for consideration by the Commission.

**Staff Recommendation:**

Appoint/reappoint WFAC members.

**Justification:**

Commission action required to appoint Winter Feeding Advisory Committee members